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HOUSE FILE 427

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Vote: Ayes 92 Nays 0 Vote: Ayes 59 Nays 0

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## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the uniform issuance and return of teachers'
- 2 contracts.
- 3 *Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*
- 4 Section 1. Section two hundred seventy-nine point thirteen
- 5 (279.13), Code 1966, as amended by chapter two hundred forty
- 6 (240), Acts of the Sixty-second General Assembly, is hereby
- 7 further amended by striking in line sixty-three (63) the period
- 8 after the word "provided" and adding the following: " , however,
- 9 no contract shall be tendered by the employing board to a teacher
- 10 under its jurisdiction prior to March first, nor be required to
- 11 be signed by the teacher and returned to the board in less than
- 12 twenty-one days after being tendered."

### EXPLANATION OF HOUSE FILE 427

This bill will create uniform dates for the issuance and return of contracts to those teachers who are being offered revised contracts to remain in the same school district for another year. At present, dates of issuance of such contracts vary from January to April. Also, the period of time within which a teacher wishing to accept the revised contract is required to sign and return the contract varies from one day to several weeks. It is not at all uncommon to have contracts issued in early February and required to be returned and signed in less than 10 days time. The bill requires that no teachers' contracts be issued for renewal prior to March 1, and that a minimum of twenty-one days after issuance be allowed for the return of the contract.